JOHN L. DICKEY.

LETTER

BESPECTING THE

LOCATION OF THE NATIONAL ROAD, &c.

APRIL 11, 1836. Read, and laid upon the table.

EATON, OHIO, March 15, 1836.

DEAR SIR: Having been informed that a number of persons, living on or near the upper route, (as it is called,) of the national road through this country, are representing to your honorable body, in their remonstrances, among other strained expressions, in form of affidavits, &c. that I, as the appraiser of Preble county, did appraise their lands, town lots, &c. much higher in consequence of the then location, than I otherwise would have done, and in order that neither yourself, nor any other member of Congress, may be misled upon that subject, and also that my own official acts may not be misstated to the prejudice of any, I have thought it my duty, (for I have, at present, no pecuniary interest in the matter, on final location of the road,) to state to you, unequivocally, and upon my veracity, that the representation is utterly false. At that time I viewed the matter myself as being too doubtful to justify me in so doing, and such were their own uniform arguments, when I would jocosely mention the location of the road, as a means of enhancing the value of their lands. A reference to my abstract return, will establish the truth or falsehood of the above statement.

Yours respectfully,
JOHN L. DICKEY.

Hon TAYLOR WEBSTER.

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